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## THE MOLOKANS REACH HAWAII

### Good Ship China Reaches Port With the First Lot of the New Immigrants on Board.

One hundred and ten white men, women and children, the vanguard of what promises to be an influx of settlers for the Hawaiian Islands, arrived yesterday on the Pacific Mail Steamship China from California.

They were the Molokans, a sect of Russians originally hailing from the southern part of Russia, near the border of the Tartar, Armenian and Circassian countries, who are widely known because of their habits of peace and of pastoral industry.

With their eyes set on the promised lands of Kapaa, island of Kauai, in the midst of the great sugar estate known as the Makee Sugar Plantation, the Molokans reached Honolulu with happy faces and contentment in their speech, for they believe that their journeyings in quest of a land of plenty are at an end, and that they will form the nucleus of a large and ever-growing colony of their oppressed people who desire to leave Russia for ever.

#### GLAD TO SEE HAWAII.

When the China arrived off port the Customs and Immigration launch Waterwitch met her with a delegation of people interested in the coming of the Molokans. Chief among them was James B. Castle, the promoter of the enterprise and through whose personal efforts their coming here has been accomplished.

Captain Samuel Johnson, Road Supervisor for the County of Oahu, and captain in the National Guard, himself a Russian, an exile from the country of his birth, so the report stands, was with Mr. Castle to act as interpreter. There were also Rev. Doremus Scudder, Theodore Richards, Rev. O. H. Gulick, and Rev. J. L. Hopwood, representing the Hawaiian Board of Missions, who wished to welcome the Molokans, who are deeply religious people, to the islands.

As the launch came near the steamer, the Molokans crowded to the rail. A heavily-bearded man in black clothes was given a prominent place at the railing and, as soon as he saw Mr. Castle and Captain Johnson, he raised his hat and saluted them with dignity. Following his action the men and boys all doffed their hats and caps and those on the launch did likewise. Every Russian's face was wreathed with smiles. They felt that those on board were their friends.

#### CASTLE THEIR BENEFACTOR.

When the passengers on the launch arrived on board, the leader of the Molokans, Michael Silvkoff, their elder, came forward and greeted the local gentlemen with enthusiasm. The remainder of the Molokans remained respectfully in the background, the old as well as the young, smiling and gazing with kindly eyes at the newcomers. The elder said the people were all well and happy and glad to have reached their land of promise.

"I am very glad to see you all here," said Mr. Castle as the remainder of the men and boys crowded around the launch. "This is something I have been working for for twenty years, and I hope I may yet see thousands of your people come to the islands to settle down."

When this brief address was interpreted by Captain Johnson, there was a general doffing of headgear and the Russians, who are said to have become very suspicious of strangers since their exile, looked as if they were ready to place implicit trust in the speaker, for they knew that he was the man who made their coming here possible. One Molokan, who looked like one of the twelve apostles, made quite a speech in return, one sentence, which was the keynote for all, being as follows:

"We thank you Mr. Castle for what you have done for us and we are willing to lay down our lives for you."

"I hope they will all like the land and love it so that they may write to others to come here," was Mr. Castle's reply. "I think they will never want to go away from here."

There was more smiling and nodding of heads as these words were interpreted.

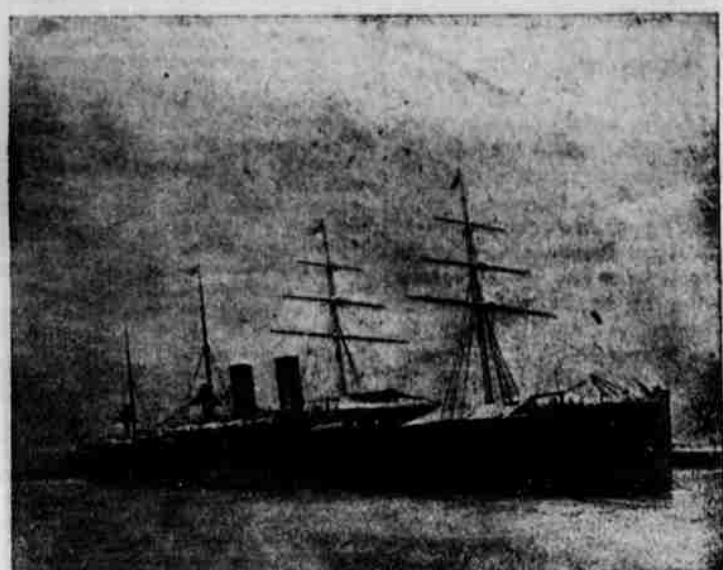
#### GREETINGS FROM CHURCHES.

Then came Captain Johnson's important task, that of reading in Russian the letter of the Hawaiian Board of Missions which welcomed the Molokans to Hawaii. Captain Johnson had made a written translation of the letter beforehand.

"It was pretty hard for me to do it," said the captain. "For I haven't done any writing in Russian for many years."

County Supervisor Lucas came aboard with the party and was near

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMER CHINA, THE BOAT THAT BROUGHT THE MOLOKANS.

## WELCOME TO MOLOKANS

Honolulu, February 2, 1906.  
The Board of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association to the Members of the One Hundred and Fifty Families of Our Brethren in Jesus Christ Known Popularly as Molokans Who Are About to Embark for the Territory of Hawaii, Send Greeting.  
Grace, Mercy and Peace be unto you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
Our hearts have been deeply stirred, Brethren, as we have read the account of the many persecutions and banishments which you and your fathers have been called upon to suffer during the past one hundred years. Your many tribulations have taken us back in memory to the times of our own natural and spiritual forefathers who three centuries ago were forced to leave their own native lands, England and France, in order to seek a country where they might worship God according to the dictates of their consciences and might found "a Church without a Bishop and a State without a King." Thus we look upon you as brothers not only in the Lord but also in a glorious history of suffering for conscience sake.

Your coming to Hawaii is like the migration of our own fathers to America. Here, however, you will find no savage men, no wild beasts, no climate terrible with cold, no starvation as our fathers did in bleak New England. Instead you are coming to a land of Christians glad to welcome you as comrades of the Cross, to a genial climate and a fertile soil where the rewards of toil are many and the gifts of God abundant.

We, your spiritual brethren, welcome you to these blissful islands. Here our fathers planted the Cross of Christ more than eighty-five years ago. Here the marvels of Pentecost were repeated. Here religious liberty exists for all. Here education is universal. Here the state is the possession of the citizens and the individual alone is king. Here you may worship God as your consciences dictate. We greet you as soon to be our fellow citizens in this free commonwealth of equals.

We wish you to regard us, the children of the great missionary movement, as your brothers. We bid you welcome to our churches and crave a like privilege of meeting in your services with you to praise our common Lord and to worship the One Father of us all. Will you not suffer us, who bear the name of Evangelical Christians, to be to you as fellow Molokans and will you not be to us as comrades in our own work for Christ? We wish to know you and we desire that you know us in order that all may stand together in the glorious work of establishing the kingdom of God upon earth and in transforming these islands into a prophecy of heaven.

Signed: P. C. Jones, S. E. Bishop, G. P. Castle, W. W. Hall, H. Bingham, E. K. Archer, T. Richards, W. D. Westervelt, F. W. Tarron, A. F. Cooke, W. D. Alexander, E. B. Turner, E. W. Thwing, J. A. Rath, A. V. Powers, A. M. Merrill, O. H. Gulick, D. Scudder.

#### THE ANSWER OF THE EXILES.

The Board of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association, Beloved Brethren: Your kindly greeting has been received by us on the very eve of our departure for your islands. We, as our fathers before us, suffered much and wandered long, and are living now on the hope of finding there the Refuge of Heaven. This greeting, as time

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## THE ORDER OF PARADE

### Fianl Arrangements Are Made for Fiesta Day.

A great many of the details for the Floral Parade on Thursday were arranged and made yesterday at a luncheon tendered the Floral Parade committee by R. W. Shingle, in charge of the carriage division. Those present were Sheriff Brown, Marshal of the Day; A. A. Young, Marston Campbell, A. Gartley and Gerrit Wilder.

One of the principal matters discussed and arranged was the assembling of the various divisions about Thomas square. The autos are to be assembled on Victoria street. This includes Divisions A and B. Division C will be assembled on Beretania street on the Ewa side.

In order to protect drivers of carriages, it was agreed that no autos will be allowed on King street previous to the hour of starting the parade off at 9 a. m.

Carriages will be assembled on Kapoli street. The eight-in-hand of the Hawaiian Hotel, flanked by six pa-uriders, will occupy the head of the line facing Beretania street, followed by other vehicles as arranged by R. W. Shingle, in charge of this division. The school floats and special vehicles will be assembled on Young street, Ewa of Thomas square, and facing the square, under the charge of W. H. Babbitt, as deputy for Mr. Shingle.

The pa-uriders, in charge of Frank Andrade, will be assembled in various parts of the city in small bands. The Manoa valley riders will proceed from the valley to King and Alapai streets, where they will be met by other riders from Nuuanu, Kailua and Waikiki. They will then all come up in a body to the point of assembly on Kapoli street, mauka of Beretania street, and opposite C. M. Cooke's residence.

The autos and other vehicles are expected to be in their assigned positions at 9 a. m. The committee proposes to transport the judges in decorated carriages along the line of assembled vehicles and autos. As the judges pass the vehicles, those in charge are expected to hand to the judges written descriptions covering the design of their vehicle or auto, together with the name of the entrant and number assigned by the committee.

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## FEBRUARY 25 DATE SET FOR CHINESE MASSACRES

(Associated Press Mail Special.)

CINCINNATI, Ohio, February 11.—Wong Fong, former secretary of the Six Companies in San Francisco, who is visiting in this city, today said the Boxer trouble in China was about to culminate in the greatest massacre of modern times. He issued the following warning to several American friends tonight, telegraphing it to Seattle, Los Angeles and San Francisco:

"The blow is about to fall. Cable warnings to friends to leave China at once. Tell them to seek the protection of Germany temporarily and to get out of the country before February 24."

Fong is visiting Ah Loo Wai, the wealthiest member of the local Chinese colony. After the messages were sent, he explained their purport as follows:

"I received word this morning that an order had been sent out to the subordinate circles of the Chinese Reform Association to throw off all foreign elements in our country, starting February 25. The association is ostensibly patriotic."

## DELEGATES IN WASHINGTON AT WORK

### Hawaii's Men Make a Very Favorable Impression.

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—The event of the session, as far as Hawaii is concerned, has been the arrival here last Sunday evening—three days ago—of the delegation to plead for the refunding bill. They are all at the New Willard Hotel. Their hearing before the House Committee on Territories began Tuesday, which was considerably earlier than they expected, as there had been talk in the committee of postponing the hearing for a week and allowing witnesses on certain Alaska bills to be heard.

Today Delegate Kalaniana'ole has had the delegation in charge. With him they went to the White House this morning and were presented to Mr. Roosevelt, who showed an interest not only in their mission, but in the men themselves. This evening they are going to the residence of Senator Foraker at 6 o'clock, where the Delegate will present them. As Senator Foraker is a good friend of the Territory of Hawaii, the visitors are anxious to keep in close touch with him during their stay here. There have been no hearings today, and there was only a brief session yesterday, at which Mr. D. H. Case of Maui was heard.

When the House Committee assembled Tuesday morning, Mr. W. O. Smith led off in a general statement. He described what conditions had been in the past, emphasizing also what the receipts had been under the old regime, before annexation. He told the committee that the territorial government had been gradually trying to adjust itself to the new conditions, but that that could not be done all at once, the result of which was that debts had been piling up.

#### POWERS IS DOUBTFUL.

Ex-Governor Powers of Maine, a member of the committee, led off in the questioning of Mr. Smith. He inquired extensively as to the tax rates and the assessment rates, although his inquiries did not necessarily imply hostility, but a desire for reliable information on which to base legislative action. Mr. W. O. Smith was followed that morning by George W. Smith, president of the Merchants' Association, who presented a carefully prepared paper. He analyzed the tax payments in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma, comparing the same with tax payments in Hawaii, both on the basis of total population and on the basis of citizen population. The questions propounded to him brought out considerable information to the effect that the direct taxes paid in Hawaii are about the same as in the other Territories, while the importations of \$11,000,000 annually show that the Territory is also contributing its share toward the indirect taxes that go into the United States Treasury.

After Mr. D. H. Case of Maui had read a carefully prepared statement this morning he was questioned extensively by Representative Lloyd of Missouri. These questions started out with expenses of the Legislature and indicated an opinion by Mr. Lloyd that the cost of running the Territorial Legislature is excessive. He also questioned Mr. Case about land rents in

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## STEAMER FROM LOS ANGELES

### Olympia Sails for Honolulu Wednesday From Port of Southern California City.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

SAN PEDRO, California, February 20.—The steamer Olympia sails on Wednesday for Honolulu with passengers and freight. The continuance of her trips is dependent upon the business offered.

It has been noted in the mainland papers that the Olympia was to come to this port for a cargo of Japanese laborers. The cablegram, however, would indicate that it is the purpose of the parties sending the ship to inaugurate a regular service between the islands and the Southern California port. Something of the kind is certain to come, sooner or later. Los Angeles, as the city grows, will reach out for a share of the commerce of the Pacific.

## GERMANY WILL NOT YIELD IN MOROCCO

ALGERIRAS, February 20.—Germany has rejected the proposition for the joint policing of the frontier of Morocco by France and Spain as contrary to the spirit of equality between the powers.

It is evident that the Kaiser is determined not to yield anything to France in this Morocco business, until he is forced to do so. Indeed, the files of mainland papers that reached here yesterday contained an intimation of a growing fear in France that Germany was looking for a pretext for war. If that be true, it is possible she may not have to look beyond Morocco. The point of safety is that England, with her power on the sea, stands by France in the affair.

## HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED BY SOLDIERS

BUDAPEST, February 20.—The Hungarian Parliament has been forcibly dissolved by troops.

This is a part of the parliamentary troubles that have of late years characterized the administration of affairs in the dual empire of Franz Josef. Austria and Hungary are held together by a very feeble bond—a bond that it has long been recognized would hardly survive the death of the aged Emperor. This forcible dissolution of the Hungarian legislative body may be followed by internal disorders that will tear the two countries asunder even before that.

## MITCHELL NOT AMBITIOUS.

PEORIA, February 20.—John Mitchell, president of the National Miners' Union, has refused the Democratic Convention's offer of a nomination for Congress from this district.

## DE WITTE'S POWER TREMBLES.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 20.—The disruption of the Cabinet is expected in a few days.

## ANTI-GAMBLING BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

(Associated Press Cablegram Service.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 19.—The House today passed the bill prohibiting gambling in Territories of the United States.

This is the measure which it has been hoped by local officials would be enacted at this session of Congress. It has been recognized that che-fa and similar forms of Chinese gambling would be difficult to stamp out in the Territory, without Federal aid. With Federal help, it will be different. A territorial grand jury with limited means at its command can reach only for a certain distance. The arm of Uncle Sam can reach around the world—and will, too, to get a witness or an offender.

#### THEY FAVOR LOCK CANAL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 19.—President Roosevelt and Secretary of War Taft are in favor of the construction of locks at the Panama Canal in preference to a sea-level canal. This style of canal has been recommended by a minority of the consulting engineers, the majority of the Canal Commission and by the chief engineer.

This would seem to be something of a departure, because it has all along been the understanding that one of the chief reasons for the preference given the Panama route was that it presented the possibility for a canal on the sea level. There can be little question, however, that a canal with locks would be easier to build.

#### KING EDWARD OPENS PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, February 19.—King Edward VII. entered London in State today and opened the new Parliament.

This is the usual formality attendant upon such occasions. The King is a figurehead, but neither people nor Parliament ever fail in respect to all the monarchical traditions.

#### YOUNG COUPLE OFF FOR CUBA.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 19.—Congressman Nicholas Longworth and bride, formerly Miss Alice Roosevelt, left today for a bridal trip to Cuba.